

STATE OF ALABAMA
SHELBY COUNTY

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Before me, L. E. Parker, a Notary Public in and for the State of Alabama at Large, personally appeared Britt Ingram, who is known to me and after first being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

My name is Britt Ingram. I am 60 years of age and reside in Shelby County, Alabama. I have been familiar with the land described hereinbelow and have known its possessors for more than 40 years. This land is best described as:

The Southeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$), Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 1 East, Shelby County, Alabama.

I know that more than 40 years ago the above land was in the possession of the McLeod brothers, John McLeod, G. B. McLeod and T. S. McLeod, who claimed title thereto. The said John McLeod and later G. B. McLeod died leaving their heirs as co-owners of this land with the said T. A. McLeod who later became sole owner of this land through heirship and deeds from other heirs. After the death of the said T. A. McLeod in about 1947, his heirs conveyed their interest to Lena McLeod, his widow and their mother. The said Lena McLeod continued as possessor under the claim of title until her death in about 1953, thereafter her children moved into actual possession of all the above land under the claim of title and have continued in this position up until the present time.

I know that the heirs of Lena McLeod and their predecessors in title have been in the exclusive, continuous and actual possession of all the above described land for more than 40 years. Their possession has been visible, open, hostile and notorious. They have assessed this land for taxes and have paid the taxes due thereon.

I know that the heirs of Lena McLeod, namely, Richard Hall, Metter Sheppard and Gaines McLeod, are the present sole owners and possessors of the above described land. They, and their predecessors during the past 40 years or more, have constructed dwelling houses and other necessary outbuildings on this land. They have planted and cultivated major crops of cotton, corn and hay and have fenced and cross-fenced portions of this land for keeping livestock. They have dug wells, planted gardens and trees, granted rights of way and hunting permits over this land. They have claimed and collected monies from an insurance company for damages to appurtenance caused by a tornado in about 1953. They have used this land as security for mortgages and have exercised every other act necessary to the peaceful use and enjoyment of this land as was consistent with the nature of the land.

I know of no person or persons claiming any right to any portion of this land during the past 40 years adversely to the Lena McLeod heirs and their predecessors in title nor have I known to any person disputing the possession of this land by those person named herein as the chain of title.

I more particularly know that J. R. Taylor or his heirs have not been in possession of any portion of the above described land nor have they exercised any claim of right or authority over this land during the past 40 years or more.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 7th day of October, 1968.

Notary Public - State at Large

Tract No. 485

Richard Hall, et al

Britt Ingram

STATE OF ALA. SHELBY CO.
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